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Normal Institute opened its special session on Tuesday of last week with a large attendance of pupils.

Jasper's town council has appropriated one thousand dollars for the purpose of paving the streets of that town with rock.

The sixteen-year-old son of J. M. Goodsbey, near Orlando, met death under peculiar circumstances. According to his mother's story, she attempted to whip him, when he broke away and procuring a pistol shot himself in the head producing instantaneous death. There was no one but the mother and a little sister present at the time of shooting. The account given by the mother presented sufficient inconsistency to warrant an inquest.

Owing to pressure of other business, Mr. Geo. W. Wilson has resigned the presidency of the State Fair Association, and Mr. S. H. Gaitkell, a prominent Marion county farmer, has been chosen for that responsible position. While Mr. Wilson's resignation is cause for general regret, his assurance that he will continue to do all in his power for the success of the Fair, coupled with the excellent qualifications of his successor, gives the hope that the enterprise will come to the most sanguine expectations of those who have development and prosperity at heart.—Miami Metropolis.

The home of Hon. J. H. T. Synum and its contents were destroyed by fire at about 2 a. m. last Wednesday morning. The flames, which from all indications, had their origin in the kitchen, and well nigh covered the house before they were discovered. The noise awakened the family who barely had time to escape with their lives—saving in all but a very small quantity of clothing and bedding. We learn that Mr. Synum had only \$800 insurance on the dwelling, which was a two-story structure, and \$750 on his household and kitchen furniture and other contents of the house, entailing a net loss of several hundred dollars upon him.—Suwannee Democrat.

There is much satisfaction, says the Jacksonville Metropolis, to be found in the fact that during President McKinley's tour through the South not only no attempt was made to harm him, but not a single rude action occurred to mar the pleasure of his journey. He came into a section of the country supposedly unfriendly to him, but he was surprised and delighted at the cordial and hospitable way in which he was received by all classes of people. He was not long in realizing that instead of being in "the enemy's country," he was among true friends, one and all eager to honor him as the chief executive of the nation.

Parties have for some weeks been quietly making contracts and leases for prospective and mining privileges on large bodies of land in Jefferson, Leon, Taylor and adjoining counties, covering all the valuable minerals, including oil; they have secured a large amount of land and will soon see what the earth has to yield up to the use of mankind. Dr. J. J. Grant informs us that he has found what he believes to be strong indications of oil on the Taylor plantation east of Bolton. The springs and stagnant pools show a glaze that he is sure is not red oxide of iron.—Monticello Tribune.

The Ghost in "Hamlet."

Not many years ago at the Queen's theater, Dublin, during one of the late T. C. King's engagements, "Hamlet" was being played to a densely crowded house. The actor portraying the part of the Ghost solaced himself during his long wait from the first to the third act by perusing the evening paper, using his spectacles in so doing. Being interested in some article (probably the "weights" for an important handicap), he delayed leaving the greenroom until the moment of hearing his cue, when, hastily snatching up his truncheon, he rushed upon the stage without his beard of "sable silvered" or removing his spectacles.

A titter greeted his appearance, but still the solemnity of the darkened stage and the fine acting of King as Hamlet prevented any great outburst until the Queen, replying to Hamlet's question, "Do you see nothing there?" answered, "Nothing at all. Yet all that I see," when a voice from aloft exclaimed, "Lend her your specs, old boy," followed by another: "Hould your row. Sore be's put them on to see to shave himself."—Cornhill Magazine.

COULD BEAR A SHOCK.

He Was Short on Lungs, but Decidedly Long on Nerve.

The young man was either an optimist or the possessor of a harveized steel armor plated nerve. Perhaps he was a little of both.

A short time ago he came to the conclusion that he would like to insure his life. With this object in view he made application to a prominent company. After filling up the necessary form he received an invitation to call upon the medical officer of the company and undergo the usual medical examination. In due course he presented himself at the office of the examining physician.

Requesting the young man to remove his coat and vest, the doctor produced a stethoscope and began his examination. All at once he stopped and regarded the candidate with an expression of alarm.

"Young man," he said, "do you think you can bear a shock?"

"Oh, I think so!" was the cheerful response. "Fire away and let me hear the worst."

"You have only one lung," announced the doctor solemnly.

"Well, what of that?" retorted the candidate, with the utmost composure. "I never told you I had any more, did I?"

"What," exclaimed the doctor, "do you mean to say you were aware of your condition?"

"Of course I was. Do you suppose a man could have only one lung without being aware of the fact?"

"And yet," said the doctor, "you apply to a respectable company for a policy of life insurance. Do you expect to get it?"

"I certainly do. Not only that, but I think I ought to get it at a substantial reduction in the premium."

"Upon what ground, may I ask?"

"Upon the ground that, having only one lung, I am 50 per cent less liable to contract consumption than if I had two lungs."—Rival.

Brief Mention.

Florida produced about \$300,000 worth of cocoanuts in 1899.

Florida beggar weed, though commonly grown for hay, is valuable also for pasturage soiling and ensilage.

A million dollars for strawberries is the record this season for Charlotte (N. C.) shippers, and other sections of the middle south are doing relatively well. The magnitude of the trucking business is little appreciated by the average reader. What is most needed in this industry is a saving in the cost of transportation, remarks American Agriculturist.

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